Wayne National Forest

## KIMBLE COMPLEX FIRE UPDATE

Monday, November 14, 2022, 9:00 a.m.

Total Acres: 1,338 | Percent Contained: 30% | Start Date: November 8, 2022 | Cause: Under Investigation | Location: Ironton Ranger District | Personnel on Incident: 74

**Highlights:** This will be the last Fire Update for the Kimble Complex unless there is a significant change in fire activity. The Wayne National Forest Public Affairs Office will distribute press releases about the fire situation as needed.

**Operations:** Yesterday, the Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS - drone, and pilot) was deployed over the fire area. Ten areas of heat were located along the eastern perimeter of the fire. These areas of heat consisted of smoldering stumps and dead and down woody debris. Crews on site immediately found and cooled those spots. Along the southern fire edge, several hazardous trees weakened by the fire were removed, and crews mopped up to further secure that portion of the fire area. Firefighters searched for hot spots by gridding in the area south of Kimble Creek.

Today, the UAS, using infrared technology, will again fly over the area to look for additional areas of heat that are identified by the UAS. Even though the fire area received significant precipitation over the past few days, the fine fuels, such as leaf litter, has quickly dried out. Firefighters will continue to mop up and patrol the fires edge and extinguish any areas of heat that may be of concern.

ATTENTION: The public is requested to SLOW DOWN while driving along Telegraph Hill Road near the fire area. Firefighters and fire equipment in the vicinity present a significant traffic hazard.

**Weather:** Skies will be mostly sunny with temperatures in the low to mid-40s. Minimum relative humidity will be in the low 40% range. Light northeast to east winds are expected.

**Temporary Flight Restrictions:** There are no temporary flight restrictions in place.

**Evacuations and Closures:** Currently, there are no evacuations or closures.

**Smoke:** Visit https://www.airnow.gov/wildfires/ for wildfire smoke information.

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